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FROM: THE WHITE HOUSE
TO: PETER RODMAN

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SUBJECT: HOLTON'S DEPUTIES

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2. RELATED BUT SEPARATE PROBLEM. I UNDERSTAND HOLTON HAS SECURED RUSH'S BLESSING ON CREATION OF THIRD DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY POSITION. PLAN IS TO HIRE, AT FSR-1 LEVEL, HOLTON'S FORMER ASSISTANT, WHO QUIT AS FSO-6 ONLY A FEW YEARS AGO. IF YOU APPROVE, I WILL TELL HOLTON ISSUE OF THIRD DEPUTY MUST BE DEFERRED UNTIL QUESTION OF WHO WILL OCCUPY THE TWO EXISTING POSITIONS IS RESOLVED AND WE HAVE HAD TIME TO SEE HOW THEY WORK OUT.

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